

WILLIAM G. HILL.

FEBRUARY 26, 1890.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to be printed.

Mr. DE LANO, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany bill H. R. 4811.]

The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 4811) granting a pension to William G. Hill, have considered the same and beg leave to submit the following report :

The records of the Third Auditor's Office, Treasury Department, show that the claimant served as first sergeant in Captain Jesse Walker's company, Oregon Indian war, from August 3, 1854, to November 6, 1854, and that he was dangerously wounded in an engagement with Piute Indians on the morning of October 11, 1854. He asks a pension for said service and wound.

Hon. Binger Hermann, a Representative in Congress from the State of Oregon, makes the following statement :

I am personally acquainted with W. G. Hill, who resides in my home county. I have known him for thirty years. He is now old, infirm, and poor. He has indeed nothing, and his brothers aid him largely. He has never recovered from his wounds received while in active service in the Oregon Indian wars. His jawbone was broken while struggling with an Indian in battle. His face is disfigured and scarred, and other wounds have largely disabled him for manual labor for life. He can do no severe physical service, and he suffers much pain. He should have \$20 or \$25 per month, and then it will be hard for him to maintain his wife and those dependent upon him. He is a temperate man.

Your committee recommend the passage of the bill with the following amendment: Strike out the words "subject to the limitations and regulations of the pension laws of the United States" in the ninth, tenth, and eleventh lines of said bill, and substitute in lieu thereof the words "and allow him a pension at the rate of \$25 per month."